AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A camera comprising:

a taking lens; ~~and~~

an image sensing device for sensing an optical subject image formed by the taking lens;

a display device for displaying a subject image sensed by the image sensing device; and

a controller for driving the taking lens to a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views when the camera starts to operate.

Claim 2 (original): A camera as claimed in claim 1, wherein the controller starts driving of the display device after performing said driving of the taking lens.

Claim 3 (original): A camera as claimed in claim 1, wherein the taking lens is situated outside a normal shooting range when the camera is deactivated.

Claim 4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (previously presented): A camera comprising:

a taking lens;

an image sensing device for sensing an optical subject image formed by the taking lens;

a display device for displaying a subject image sensed by the image sensing device; and

a controller for driving the taking lens to a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views before display by the display device is

started, wherein said driving of the taking lens is performed when power supply to the camera is started.

Claim 6 (original): A camera as claimed in claim 5, wherein the controller starts driving of the display device after performing said driving of the taking lens.

Claim 7 (previously presented): A camera as claimed in claim 5, wherein said controller is further configured to drive said taking lens to said focus position after driving of the display device is started.

Claim 8 (original): A camera as claimed in claim 7,

wherein the controller starts driving of the display device after performing said driving of the taking lens.

Claim 9 (original): A camera as claimed in claim 7,

wherein the display device is started to drive by manually operating an operation member.

Claim 10 (previously presented): A camera comprising:

a taking lens;

an image sensing device for sensing an optical subject image formed by the taking lens;

a display device for displaying a subject image sensed by the image sensing device; and

a controller for driving the taking lens to a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views before display by the display device is started, and for driving the taking lens to said focus position immediately after recording of an image is performed.

Claim 11 (previously presented): A camera as claimed in claim 10, wherein the controller starts driving of the display device after performing said driving of the taking lens.

Claim 12 (canceled)

Claim 13 (previously presented): A camera body as claimed in claim 14,

wherein the display device receives the image from a taking unit comprising a taking lens and an image sensing device for sensing an image formed by the taking lens, and

wherein the controller performs said controlling by setting the taking lens at a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views.

Claim 14 (previously presented): A camera body comprising:

a display device for displaying an image captured; and

a controller for controlling image taking so that in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views before display by the display device is started, wherein said controlling is performed when power supply to a camera including the camera body is started.

Claim 15 (previously presented): A camera body as claimed in claim 14, wherein said controller controls image taking so that said in-focus condition is substantially obtained after driving of the display device has been started.

Claim 16 (previously presented): A display control method in a digital camera having a display device, comprising the steps of:

determining whether display of an image captured is requested or not when power supply to the camera is started;

when the display is requested, driving a taking lens to a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views; and

displaying an image taken through by the taking lens situated at said focus position.

Claim 17 (previously presented): A display control method in a digital camera having a display device, comprising the steps of:

immediately after recording of an image, determining whether a display setting is set for permitting the display device to display an image or set for prohibiting the display device from displaying an image;

when it is determined that the setting permits display of an image, automatically driving a taking lens to a focus position where in-focus condition is substantially obtained for distant to close-range views; and

displaying an image taken through by the taking lens situated at said focus position.